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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

John L. Young

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):
(1) John L. Young (3)
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Date of Interview Jan 24, 2001
Type: X Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).
Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:
Agreement was reached. was not reached.
Claim(s) discussed: Claim 1. Identification of prior art discussed: Franklin 6,055,518.
Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed proposed amendment of claim 1 to incorporate "bid transformation" and "arbitrary market protocol" elements. The examiner advised Applicant's representative that it appears that there would be no issue of new matter if said elements were incorporated into an amendment of claim 1. However, the examiner advised Applicant's representative that the examiner would have to conduct an update search of the prior art associated with any additional responses from Applicant; furthermore, the examiner could not comment on the patentability of the invention based on the proposed amendment at this time.
(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendents which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) 1. X It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.
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